

APPENDIX

Changes to Specification:

Page 9, lines 4-25:

The ceramic substrate, which constitutes the primary element of the ceramic substrate in accordance with the present invention, may be preferably made by using a sintered substrate of aluminum nitride. The material used for the ceramic substrate is not limited to aluminum nitride, indeed other ceramic materials such as ~~ceramic-carbonate~~carbide ceramics, ~~ceramic-oxide~~ceramics, ~~ceramic-nitride~~ceramics and the like may also be equally used instead.

Some examples of ~~ceramic-carbonate~~carbide ceramics include, by way of examples not limitative, silicon carbide, zirconium carbide, titanium carbide, tantalum carbide, tungsten carbide and the like. Some examples of ~~ceramic-oxide~~oxide ceramics include, by way of examples not limitative, alumina, zirconia, cordierite, mullite and the like. Some examples of ~~nitrides~~nitride ceramics include, by way of examples not limitative, other than the aluminum nitride as described above, silicon nitride, boron nitride, titanium nitride and the like.

Among these ceramic materials, in general, nitride ceramics, and ~~carbonate~~carbide ceramics are preferred to oxide ceramics because of their thermal conductivity. The sintered bodies may be of single material or of a plurality of materials.